

REMARKS

Claims 1, 5, 8, 10, 16, 20 and 23 are amended. Claim 4 is cancelled. Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 8-10, 13, 16-18, 20 and 23 are pending. The Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the following remarks.

Examiner Interview

On August 20, 2007 the undersigned Attorney and the above-referenced Examiner discussed the rejection over the telephone, and in particular the above proposed amendments. Preliminary agreement was reached that the proposed amendment overcame the outstanding rejections and would place the claims in condition for allowance. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested. The Examiner indicated that should any further issues remain a follow-up telephone conversation would be welcomed and initiated by the Examiner.

Conclusion

The Application is in a condition for allowance. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and issuance of the present application. Should any issue remain that prevents immediate issuance of the application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney to discuss the unresolved issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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